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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND, 1,200,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman.—F. D. SAMPSON, Esq.
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MANAGER.

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LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, November 26, 1878.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3% per Annum.
" 6 " 4% " "
" 12 " 5% " "

On Current Accounts at Rates which can be ascertained at their Office.

D. A. J. OROMBIE, Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, 2800,000.
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BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

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THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

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ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

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" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

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FINE NEW FIGS, direct from Smyrna.
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LETT'S DIARIES for 1879.
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CLOTH TROWER LENGTHS, Assorted Patterns.
ALBUMS, in great variety.
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CHUBB'S CASH and DEED BOXES.
VERNON'S AUTOMATIC COFFEE MACHINES.
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IMPERIAL TRACING CLOTH.
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TABLE GLASSWARE, of every Description.
FOLDING CHAIRS.
CIGARS, CIGARETTES.
KELLY'S FAMOUS CUT TOBACCOES.
HOUSEHOLD STORES, of every Description.
CLARET in Casks. MALT. HOPS.
CAUSTIC SODA, CANADIAN POTASH.
CARBOLIC ACID, CHLORIDE OF LIME, &c., &c., &c.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & CO.

Hongkong, November 16, 1878.

NOW READY.

MAP & CHART OF COREA, By N. McLEOD.

CONTAINING EXTRACTS from ANCIENT HISTORY, including latest SERVICES.

BATTLE OF GOG & MAGOG, COMING DOWNFALL OF RUSSIA, AND JAPAN'S BEST POLITICAL ECONOMY.

Price.....One Dollar.

To be had at the principal Booksellers in India, China, and Japan.

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JAPAN AND THE LOST TRIBES OF ISRAEL, Price \$2.

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LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.,
Hongkong, February 4, 1879. fe11

Intimations.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, 39, Queen's Road, Victoria, at HALF PAST TWO o'clock in the Afternoon of MONDAY, the 24th February next, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1878.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 24th February, both days inclusive.

By Order,

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, January 24, 1879. fe24

TAKEN.

FROM Central Police Station on the Night of 25th December, or a.m. of 26th, One TRUNK, with Lady's Evening Apparel, &c. Also, One New Red Rep SOFA, and New Blue Bath BED QUILT.

A suitable Reward will be given for its return, or any information leading to its Recovery, by applying to

MISS GORDON,

No. 13, A, Peel Street.

Hongkong, February 3, 1879. fe15

For Sale.

EX LATE ARRIVALS.

WOOLLEN SOCKS, DRAWERS and UNDERSHIRTS.
LETT'S DIARIES. LETT'S DIARIES.
RIDING WHIPS, BRIDLES and PONY HARNESS.
RUG STRAPS, YORK HAMS, CHIT BOOKS.
HORSE CLIPPERS, FILTERS, SILVER LAMPS.
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The New Patent LIFE VESTS.
PONY HARNESS, GRUBB'S FIREPROOF SAFES.
SALAMANDERS for Heating Baths.
WORKS of REFERENCE, California APPLES.
HAIR BRUSHES, BILLIARD CLOTHS.
COPYING PRESSES, CHRISTY'S HATS.
SCARFS, COLLARS, KID GLOVES.
FOOD WARMERS, CIGARETTES.
CRICKET BATS, BALLS, GLOVES, &c.
PARTAGA'S HAVANA CIGARS.
BATH TOWELS, PAINT BOXES.
DAMASK for Table Cloths, STATIONERY.
PATENT WATER CLOSETS, POCKET BOOKS.
DOG COLLARS and CHAINS, TENNIS BALLS.
CHILDREN'S BOOKS, VALISES.
Ladies' and Gentlemen's DRESSING BAGS, Fitted.
AIR CUSHIONS, BILLIARD BALLS.
SHORT SNIDERS with SWORD BAYONETS.
BASS'S ALE, Bottled by FOSTER.
GUINNESS'S STOUT, &c.
SACCONI'S SHERRIES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, January 9, 1879.

Intimations.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 15th day of February next, at THREE O'CLOCK p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1878.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 30, 1879. fe16

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the REGISTERS of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 3rd, to SATURDAY, the 15th February next (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 30, 1879. fe16

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Tenth Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 7, Queen's Road, on WEDNESDAY, the 26th February next, at Three o'clock in the Afternoon, to receive a Statement of Accounts for the Year 1878, the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 30, 1879. fe16

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By Order of the Court of Directors,

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 30, 1879. fe16

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the General Agents, on THURSDAY, the 20th Instant, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, with a Statement of accounts to 31st December, 1878.

By Order,

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Agents.

Hongkong, February 4, 1879. fe20

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 20th Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order,

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Agents.

Hongkong, February 4, 1879. fe20

Entertainment.

ROYAL TYCOON JAPANESE TROUPE.

This Company has just completed a very successful tour through India, where they have had the honor of appearing before

HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONOURABLE LORD LYTON, G.C.S.I., Viceroy and Governor-General of India.

And all the principal PRINCES and RAJAS. They have also travelled with great success through

ENGLAND! AUSTRALIA! and NEW ZEALAND!!!

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, ON SATURDAY AND MONDAY, the 15th and 17th February, 1879.

The Company is now returning home to Japan, and beg to inform the Public that they will give

TWO GRAND PERFORMANCES, INTRODUCING

ALL THE STARTLING WONDERS for which THIS TROUPE IS FAMED

And which have caused a great sensation wherever they have appeared.

READ THE PROGRAMME. THE JAPANESE INVISIBLE SNAKE WIRE.

By TOMA KITCHIE. The Greatest Wonder in Balancing ever witnessed.

THE JAPANESE MAGIC LADDER, by the Little Marvel—EVA KITCHIE.

This Astonishing feat performed by a mere child astonishes and delights all beholders.

BENDING AND CONTORTION, By MAX KITCHIE.

Who has been pronounced by the Press to be a Living Wonder.

SLACK ROPE PERFORMANCE, By LITTLE JAPANESE TOMMY.

THE SWINGING BAMBOO, By EVA KITCHIE.

JAPANESE MAGIC INTRODUCING THE WONDERFUL BIRD CAGE TRICK.

JAPANESE TOP SPINNING and MAGIC DAGGER.

By MEMBERS of the TROUPE.

JAPANESE TUMBLING in which Act, TOMA KITCHIE will leap through

A HOOP OF FIRE!!!

SINGLE TRAPEZE and BALANCING, By EVA KITCHIE.

DOUBLE SWINGING TRAPEZE, By the Japanese Sisters MAY and EVA.

THE GREATEST WONDER OF THE 19TH CENTURY "LA PERCHÉE."

THE GREAT AMERICAN ROPE-TYING TRICK.

The whole forming a Pleading and Astonishing Entertainment.

The Company can positively only Perform TWO NIGHTS.

So embrace the opportunity and Come Early.

Doors Open at 8.30, to Commence at 9 p.m.

Prices of Admission:—Upstairs, \$2. Downstairs, \$1. Children, Half Price.

Tickets to be had at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and at the Doors of the Theatre.

Hongkong, February 8, 1879. fe15

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

THE HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY will perform ON THURSDAY EVENING, February 13th, 1879.

THE ENTIRELY ORIGINAL NAUTICAL COMIC OPERA, In Two Acts, by

W. S. GILBERT and ARTHUR SULLIVAN, Entitled:

H. M. S. "PINAFORE," OR THE LASS THAT LOVED A SAILOR.

DRAMATIS PERSONÆ.

The Rt. Hon. Sir Joseph Porter, K.C.B., First Lord of the Admiralty, Captain Corcoran, Commanding H. M. S. "Pinafore," Ralph Rackstraw, Able Seaman, Dick Deadeye, Able Seaman, Bill Bobstay, Boatswain, Tom Tucker, Midship-mate, Sergeant of Marines, Josephine, the Captain's Daughter, Hebe, Sir Joseph's First Cousin, Little Buttercup, a Hum-bug Woman, First Lord's Sisters, his Cousins, his Aunt, Sailors, Marines, &c., by

MEMBERS of the H. K. CHORAL SOCIETY.

Conductor, Mr C. F. A. SANGSTER. Accompanist, Mr F. PANIZZA.

By kind permission of Colonel Jago, and Officers of the 74th Regiment, the Band will Perform selections during the Evening.

Doors Open at 8.30 p.m., Performance to Commence at 9.

TICKETS may be secured and Seats reserved at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s.

G. B. EMOERY, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, February 6, 1879. fe14

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, Club Chambers, on MONDAY, 24th February, 1879, at 3 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1878; and for the election of Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 24th Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, February 6, 1879. fe24

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

FOR AMOY, TAMSUI & TAIWANFOO. The Steamship "TAIWA," Captain ABBOTT, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 11th Instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co., Hongkong, February 8, 1879. fe11

FOR HOIHOW AND HAIPHONG. The Steamship "ATLANTA," Captain G. PETERSEN, will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY Next, the 12th Instant, at 7 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MEYER & Co., Hongkong, February 8, 1879. fe12

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA. The Steamship "MORAY," Captain BURCHER, will leave for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 15th Instant, at 8 o'clock Afternoon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Hongkong, February 8, 1879. fe15

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA. The Steamship "ARRATON APOAR," Captain A. B. MACFARLANE, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 15th Instant, at 8 o'clock p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents, Hongkong, February 8, 1879. fe15

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR LONDON VIA THE SUEZ CANAL. (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.) The Steamship "GLENLYN," Capt. QUINCY, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 14th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Hongkong, February 4, 1879. fe14

FOR TAKAO, KOBE & YOKOHAMA. The Steamship "AGATE," with immediate despatch. For freight or passage, apply to

LINSTEAD & Co., Hongkong, February 8, 1879.

FOR SINGAPORE, PORT DARWIN, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. (Calling off the usual Coast Ports, and taking through Cargo and Passengers for New Zealand.)

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamship "BRISBANE," Captain REDDELL, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Hongkong, February 1, 1879.

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO. The Steamship "RADNORSHIRE," shortly due from Singapore, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Hongkong, February 3, 1879.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR HAMBURG.

Intimations.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE above SOCIETY'S ANNUAL EXHIBITION OF FLOWERS, FRUIT, VEGETABLES, &c., will be held on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, the 12th and 13th of February, 1879. Tickets to be had at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

W. M. B. ARTHUR,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, January 23, 1879. fe13

THE CHINESE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above-named Company, will be held at the Company's Office, No. 39, Queen's Road, in the city of Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 10th day of March next, at 5 p.m., for the purpose of passing certain Special Resolutions providing for the following alterations in the Constitution and Articles of Association of the Company; viz:—

- 1.—That the Business of the Company be in future managed by a Board of Directors and a Secretary instead of the former and General Agents as heretofore.
- 2.—That if in the opinion of the Directors the Business of the Company in any year be such as not to warrant the Payment of Interest at \$12 per cent. per annum on the Paid-up Capital, they may during such year reduce such rate to such lower amount as they may consider desirable for the Interests of the Company.
- 3.—To enable the Directors if a necessity shall arise to pay such Interest or any part thereof out of the Reserve Fund.
- 4.—To provide that when there shall be profits applicable for dividend the same shall be divisible as the Shareholders in Meeting shall determine.
- 5.—That Fourteen Days instead of Thirty Days notice may be given of all Meetings of the Company.
- 6.—That Clause 147 of the Articles of the Company be expunged, leaving future changes in the Regulations of the Company to be made as provided for by Ordinance No. 1 of 1865.

NOTICE is hereby also given, that a Second EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company, will be held at the same Hour and Place on MONDAY, the 24th day of March next, for the purpose of confirming such Special Resolutions as may be passed at the First mentioned Meeting.

Dated this Third day of February, 1879.

By Order, J. BRADLEY SMITH,
General Agent.

NOTIFICATION.

A COPY of the JURY LIST for 1879, is posted at the Supreme Court House for inspection. Notice of any inaccuracies, Omissions, Objections, &c., must be given to the Registrar, on or before SATURDAY, the 15th day of February, A.D. 1879, in accordance with the provisions of Section 6 of Ordinance No. 11 of 1864.

It is further notified that no person whose name is on the List as a Juror, will be excused from service on the ground of any exemption to which he may be entitled, or on the ground of any want of qualification, unless such exemption shall have been claimed and established, or such want of qualification duly proved, at or before the time above specified.

C. B. PLUNKET,
Registrar.

Hongkong, February 1, 1879. fe12

NOTICE.

MRS. J. F. ROSE begs to intimate to the Ladies of HONGKONG, CANTON and the Coast Ports that on the 1st MARCH she will OPEN a DRAPERY and DRESS-MAKING Business in the Premises lately occupied by Messrs. ROSE & Co., next door to the Hongkong Hotel, Queen's Road.

All communications to be addressed to Mrs. J. F. ROSE, as the Business will be conducted on her sole account.

Hongkong, February 1, 1879. mal

PLEASE NOTICE.

MR. H. SCHUBERT begs to advertise that he will leave this Colony for EUROPE on or about the 8th of March next, and that therefore no Photos. can be taken by him after the 28th of February.

Hongkong, January 13, 1879. fe13

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED ON STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision; and VESSELS Discharged alongside the WHARF, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch.

MEYER & Co.,
Proprietors.

Hongkong, November 28, 1878. my29

NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of OCTOBER, DA EASTLAKE will receive his PATENTS at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 28, 1878.

MOORE & CO.

"VARIETY STORE"
NEWS AGENTS and TOBACCONISTS.

No. 42, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, September 10, 1878.

FUTCHINGS

begs to announce to the Community of Hongkong that he will be able to supply BEEF, MUTTON, &c., from 1st October, and trusts that they may grant him their support.

Shop—WILLIAMSON STREET, opposite the Cathedral.

Hongkong, September 20, 1878.

Intimations.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the RATE of 3% or \$2.25 per SHARE, declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders held this Day, will be Payable at the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after FRIDAY Next, the 31st Instant.

Shareholders are requested to apply at the Office of the Company for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
P. A. DA COSTA,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 20, 1879.

TAKASHIMA COAL.

THE Undersigned are prepared to DELIVER the above COAL, ex Godown, in quantities to suit Purchasers.

LINSTEAD & Co.
Hongkong, February 1, 1879. mal

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. WALTER SCOTT FITZ, in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on the 31st December last.

Mr. CHARLES VINCENT SMITH is admitted a Partner from this Date.

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1879. jr1

NOTICE.

I HAVE admitted Captain EDWARD BURNIE to an Interest in my Business of MARINE SURVEYOR.

R. H. CAIRNS.

Club Chambers,
Hongkong, February 6, 1879. mal

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day ESTABLISHED myself as a COMMISSION MERCHANT, &c., at No. 2, Queen's Road, under the Style of "J. G. SMITH & Co."

J. GRANT SMITH.

Hongkong, January 1, 1879.

NOTICE.

MR. EZEKIEL ABRAHAM SOLOMON has been admitted a Partner in our Firm at this Port and in China, from 1st January, 1879.

E. D. SASSOON & Co.

Hongkong, January 24, 1879. fe24

NOTICE.

MR. ROBERT BERNHARD has This Day CEASED to be a Partner in our Business.

HEINEMANN & Co.,
Ship Brokers.

Hongkong, January 17, 1879. fe17

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day ESTABLISHED myself as GENERAL MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT at this Port.

During my temporary absence from China, my Business will be CONDUCTED by Mr. EDWARD DAVIS, who is also authorized to Sign my name per Procurator.

F. R. TALBOT.

Canton, February 5, 1879. fe13

To Let.

TO LET.

PORTION of a HOUSE, very suitable for OFFICES and DWELLING, also for a STORE, Queen's Road Central. Possession 1st March next.

Apply to

LANDSTEIN & Co.

Hongkong, February 4, 1879.

TO LET.

IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65, formerly known as the Blue Houses, situated on Praya East:—

FIRST FLOOR, No. 2, with possession 1st February.

HOUSE No. 4, Praya East, either the whole House or in Flats, with possession on the 1st April next.

As also,

A FRONT and BACK ROOM in the DWELLING to the eastward of the Pier, with part of its spacious Verandah. Immediate Possession.

TO LET.

FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS, attached to Blue Houses at Wanchoi, MARINE LOT 65.

Also,

A SPACIOUS TIMBER YARD, close to the Wanchoi Pier. Timber received on Storage or the Yard Rented.

For further particulars, apply to

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 15, 1878.

TO BE LET.

TWO Excellent STONE-FLOORED GODOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 10, Praya Central.

Apply to

TURNER & Co.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

TO LET.

FIRST CLASS OFFICES and GODOWNS, Nos. 54 and 60, Praya Central.

Apply to

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J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, February 10, 1879. fe14

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SATURDAY,

the 22nd day of February, 1879, at Noon, if not previously sold by private contract, of which due notice will be given.

THE ORIENTAL SUGAR REFINERY, situated on the Praya at Wanchoi, now in complete working order and capable of refining 500 piculs of raw sugar per day. The Property comprises all that valuable piece of ground situated at Wanchoi, Hongkong, abutting on the North side on the Praya, and measuring thereon One Hundred and Sixty feet, on the South side on the Queen's Road, and measuring thereon Two Hundred feet, on the East side on a close registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot No. 42, and measuring thereon Five Hundred and Four feet, and on the West side on a close registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot No. 64 A, and measuring thereon Three Hundred and Eighty-two feet, containing in the whole 88,200 square feet, or nearly two statute acres, all level ground, registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot No. 40, held for an unexpired term of 979 years from 1863, with the valuable Messuages and Buildings thereon, which were especially built for the purposes of a Sugar Refinery according to Weirich's Patent and other approved processes, with the valuable new Machinery, Plant, Fixtures and Fittings thereon. Also the sole right and benefit of the Patent for Refining Sugar by the Weirich Process, obtained from the Government of Hongkong by WILLIAM MCGREGOR SMITH for the term of Fourteen Years from the 28th day of May, 1874.

There is an abundant and unfailing supply of fresh water on the Premises, ample for refining over 2,000 piculs of Sugar daily.

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Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 8th day of Feb., 1879

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Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

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to-day's Advertisements.

FOR HOIHOW AND HAIPHONG.

The Steamship

"ATALANTA,"

Captain G. PETERSEN, will be despatched for the above

Ports on THURSDAY Next, the 13th Inst., at 7 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Hongkong, February 10, 1879. fe19

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.

The Steamship

"YESSO,"

Capt. S. ASHTON, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 13th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, February 10, 1879. fe13

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS will visit SHANGHAI during the Summer Months, leaving Hongkong on the 1st of April next.

Hongkong, February 10, 1879.

SPANISH STEAMER LEYTE.

TENDERS are desired for the REPAIRS of the above Steamer, now in the Port of MANILA and Damaged from collision and stranding.

Such Repairs to include everything necessary to replace the Leyte in her class on Lloyd's Register, and to be made under the supervision and to the entire satisfaction of Lloyd's Inspector.

Copy of Survey on the Leyte is in the hands of Messrs RUSSELL & Co. For further Particulars, apply to

PEELE HUBBELL & Co.,
Manila.

Agents for the Leyte.

Hongkong, February 10, 1879. fe15

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 9, 4 a.m., Diamante, British str., 514 E. Thebaud, Manila Feb. 6, 5 p.m., General.—RUSSELL & Co.

Feb. 9, Yesso, British steamer, 559, S. Ashton, Fochow Feb. 6, Amoy 7, and Swatow 8, General.—DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.

Feb. 9, Papa, German barque, 392, C. F. Bisse, Chefoo Jan. 31, General.—SIEMSEN & Co.

Feb. 9, Lee Yuen, Chinese steamer, 734, E. W. Tisdall, Shanghai Feb. 5, General.—O. M. S. N. Co.

Feb. 9, Amoy, British steamer, from Canton.

Feb. 10, Burmes, British steamer, 1851, James Luck, Kobe Feb. 1, and Nagasaki 5, General.—MELCHERS & Co.

Feb. 10, Cassandra, German steamer, 937, H. Langer, Saigon Feb. 4, Rico.—SIEMSEN & Co.

Feb. 10, Paul Marie, French barque, 324, F. Gallard, Quinhon Jan. 22, Salt.—OARLOWITZ & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 9, Esperance, for Swatow.

9, Kwik, for Takow.

9, Kiltaney, for Saigon.

9, Douglas, for Coast Ports.

9, Lorne, for Singapore.

9, Delphin, for Whampoa.

9, Lee Yuen, for Canton.

9, Africa, Portuguese troopship, for Macao.

9, H.M.S. Lapwing, for Shanghai.

9, Volga, for Yokohama.

9, Jura, for Shanghai.

10, Onward, for Amoy.

10, Orayser, Russian man-of-war, for Manila.

10, Diamante, for Amoy.

10, Amoy, for Shanghai.

10, Emuy, for Amoy.

10, Prince Arthur, for Whampoa.

10, Hall Columbia, for Macao.

10, Glaveus, for Shanghai.

CLEARED.

Fleetwing, for New York.

Dala, for Bangkok.

Fantenays, for Callao.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Diamante, from Manila, Mr and Mrs McKenzie, 3 children and 2 servants, Messrs W. A. Mein, Barretto, and W. Six, and 85 Chinese for Amoy.

Per Yesso, from Coast Ports, Mr and Mrs Huber, Messrs Elwell, Harmon, Pendleton, and Mohita, and 90 Chinese.

Per Burmes, from Kobe and Nagasaki, Mrs Holey, Miss Helley, Master Helley, Messrs Edward Ansell and John L. Joseph Pitken, and several Chinese from Kobe.

Per Papa, from Chefoo, 7 Europeans, and 6 Malays.

Per Cassandra, from Saigon, 8 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Volga, for Yokohama: from Hongkong, Mr Romato, Mr E. B. de Luz, Mr and Mrs Batten, child and European servant; from Marseille, Messrs Van der Heyden, Van Gend, Yokohama, Matzugo, Mishima, Earl, and Y. mada; from Bur, Mr and Mrs Kennedy, child and 2 servants; from Oclon, Mr Lamare; from Singapore, Saur Mathilde.

Per Jura, for Shanghai: from Hongkong, Mr and Mrs Rolland, and Mr A. M. de Silva; from Marseille, Mr Walsh, Mrs Brunat and 2 children, S. E. Teahy, Mrs Cooper and 8 children, Miss Pring, Miss Kidd, Miss Howland, Mr Stuart, and 17 Chinese.

Per Lorne, for Singapore, &c., 112 Chinese.

Per Esperance, for Swatow, 1 Chinese.

Per Emuy, for Amoy, 30 Chinese.

Per Glaveus, for Shanghai, 1 third class European, and 8 Chinese.

on shore on a piece of wood, and have since been in search of their parents.

The following is the programme which will be played by the band of H. M. S. *Iron Duke* on the second day (Tuesday) at 3 p.m. of the Naval and Military Athletic Sports:—

March.....Bruder Lustig.....Strauss.
Quadrille.....Spanish Air.....Reale.
Valse.....Bien Aimé.....Waldteufel.
Selection.....Arlès.....Verdi.
Valse.....Pastoral Song.....Bacquet.
March.....Jenny.....Hofstadter.

Mr Justice Snowden was engaged the best part of to-day in hearing a Summary Suit, in which the Masters of the Teouing Un, Opium shop, 101 Jervois Street, sued the Fat Kee and Kib Kee Hong, Hollywood Road, for \$992 78, being balance due on opium transactions in 1877. After hearing the plaintiff's evidence, His Honor decided to adjourn the case, numerous letters and accounts in Chinese not having been translated, and it being difficult to go into the accounts under the circumstances. The case was adjourned until the 17th instant. Mr Francis appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr Ng Choy for the defendants.

We are glad to observe that the notices of business to be transacted in open Court are now posted at the Court House door, as it is a convenience to reporters and the public. As illustrating the care which is necessary to be taken in such matters, however, we may say that it was by a mere chance that the probate case disposed of to-day was not reported as referring to the estate of "Rev. J. Preston," instead of to the estate really involved. The name was first copied from the notice board as "Rev. J.," and subsequently altered, at the suggestion of a gentleman who happened to know that the worthy missionary known as Rev. J. Preston was alive and well.

ALTERNATE cloud and sunshine are said to have kept our amateur gardeners in a state of fever during the last three or four weeks. In cloud the vegetables were making rapid progress towards taking first prizes, and in sunshine the flowers were inspiring strong hopes of honourable mention. Though outside of this special excitement, we equally enjoy the prospect of seeing a creditable show on Wednesday next at the Exhibition of the Horticultural Society; and it is to be hoped that the large numbers of exhibits to be forwarded by residents will reward the Committee for the considerable pains they have taken to make the show a success.

By the German barque *Papa*, Captain Blase, which arrived here yesterday from Ohefou, we learn that there have been quite a number of disasters amongst the shipping up North. The German brig *Rebecca* was driven ashore during a heavy snowstorm, and became a total wreck. The gale, which lasted from the 22d to 24th Jan., was from the N. E., and shifted round by North to N. N. W. Two other vessels shared the same fate, viz., the German barques *Condor* and *Rosa Boettcher*; both got ashore a few miles from Chefoo. There was also a rumour to the effect that a British barque had gone ashore, and that the European portion of her crew had been murdered. All hands were saved on board the three German vessels, except the boatswain and a Japanese boy belonging to the *Condor*; the former was drowned, and the latter was frozen to death. We have not heard that the *Condor* and *Rosa Boettcher* are total wrecks, but we think, considering the nature of the coast, that there is little chance of their ever again ploughing the deep. The weather has been very trying, up North, and shipping folks on the Northern coast have been leading a by no means enviable life in consequence.

(L. and C. Express, Dec. 27th.) Assistant-Paymaster Sydney Wright, now serving on the staff of Admiral Sir Edward Ingfield, has been selected by Captain Thomas E. Smith to accompany him to Hongkong as his secretary, on his visit to the United States steamer *Vanderberg*, carrying guns, and commanded by Commodore K. W. Shufeldt, late chief of the Bureau of Equipment and Recruiting, has started on a cruise which will begin with Madeira and Liberia.

The Commodore proposes to go up the Congo river as far as possible and look after American interests, after which he will cruise along the coast, making soundings and astronomical observations, and calling at unfrequented ports in order to extend and establish new commercial relations. American papers state that the Commodore is then to proceed through the Indian Ocean, and up the coast of Sumatra and China to Japan and Korea, as an ambassador to promote the commercial interests of the United States, with a commission from Secretary Evarts conferring on him extraordinary powers to conclude commercial conventions with numerous outside petty Governments during his cruise. At Yedo Commodore Shufeldt is authorised to ask the good offices of the Japanese Government in favouring his reception by the Koreans, Japan being the only country with which Korea has any diplomatic relations at the present time. It is believed that Commodore Shufeldt will find his way into that hitherto sealed region, and possibly succeed in obtaining commercial privileges to some extent. His purpose is to visit the Korean capital, if possible.

NAVAL AND MILITARY ATHLETIC SPORTS.

First Day.

The Sports were commenced to-day at 2 p.m. The weather was just such as would be desired by athletes for running and jumping. That great interest is taken in these gatherings is evidenced by the very large number of spectators who always collect together on such occasions. To-day was no exception; the grounds being lined with people of every nationality, and it was no easy task for the guards to keep the ground clear.

Amongst those present were:—H. E. the Governor and Mrs Hennessey, Vice-Admiral Cote, Major-General and Mrs Donovan, Sir John and Lady Smale, Commodore Watson, and many other notables.

The following gentlemen acted as a Committee:—Lieuts. Needham, Annesley, Napier, R.N.; W. T. Whitehead, Esq., C.B.; Major Straghan, and Lieut. Kelham, 74th Highlanders, Lieut. Saunders, R.N., Lieut. Friend, R.N., and W. Horan, Esq., O.S.B. The Judges were: Lieut. Needham, R.N., and Lieutenant Friend, R.N.; and Lieuts. Annesley, R.N., Saunders, R.N., and Kelham, 74th Highlanders, did duty as starters. The first event came off punctually at the time advertised (2 p.m.), the prize falling to Corporal Carvin, who cast the shot 31 feet 2 inches. The running was exceedingly good throughout, the 440 yards being covered in 1 minute and 24 seconds. We think the spot chosen for the long jump was anything but a desirable one, the ground being much too soft, while the chances of tripping were thus greatly increased. Much amusement was created by the number of false starts made in the fourth race. The starter had the happy style of saying "Get ready," "Go," and the eager ones persistently started off at the sound of the word "ready," after about a dozen ineffectual attempts, the restive ones were held in till the right moment, and eleven seconds later Dunning landed a winner. The 100 yards flat race open to the officers of the army and navy and members of the Club was, as every one expected, won by Kelham in a canter, and the manner in which he then behaved, coupled with his well-known powers of endurance, frightened off all competitors in the 440 yards flat race for the prize presented by His Excellency the Governor. At length, after some whipping in, three adventurous spirits were got together and allowed a start of 20 yards. After the first lap Kelham was left with one competitor, a young man, who appeared somewhat staggered to find himself still leading during the second round, but when he felt Kelham was close on his heels, he tripped and embraced mother earth. Mrs Hennessey, in presenting the prize, complimented his magnanimity in allowing his competitors to start. There were seven competitors for the Veteran's race, which was open only to men of 15 years' service and over, and judging by the nimbleness displayed by the old fogies, they are not much the worse for their long service. Corporal Paddon, a man of over 10 years' service, carried off the honors. For the boy's race there were six youngsters found, and they should they had some good stuff in them. Three of the smallest and one of them took good care to keep it, landing a winner. The great event of the day was most undoubtedly the "Tug of war." Every one present evinced a lively interest in the proceedings at this time, and forgot the discomfort of having been standing in a chilled atmosphere for a couple of hours. It was with some difficulty that a space could be kept clear for the contest. The first trial of strength was between the Police and the Royal Artillery, the former getting away with their rivals after a prolonged struggle; neither side gained much advantage for some time, and it was simply a question of endurance. The 74th then had a friendly tug with the Marines, and it was for some time doubtful as to which had the best of it; the 74th however began to show signs of flagging, and at length to show signs of being overpowered. On a second attempt however they were more fortunate and made short work of the Marines, but it was whispered that this was more owing to their having caught the order to pull a little before their rivals, who were thus easily jerked over the mark, being they could secure a foothold; mark before fair love and war. The Police next received their attention and were nearly sharing the fate of the unfortunate Marines, but to a man they stuck their heels resolutely into the ground when scarcely a couple of feet from the mark and not an inch could be drawn nearer the fatal line. Both sides appeared resolved to do their utmost, and every nerve and sinew was strained to its utmost tension. Gradually, slowly but surely the 74th showed signs of wavering, and inch by inch they were drawn nearer and nearer. Now it appeared as if they were about to rally and again it appeared very doubtful; at length they reared the brink, a moment more and the Police had another victory to chronicle.

This concluded the sports for to-day. Below we give the results:—

1.—PUTTING THE SHOT.—7 Feet run and no follow.—1st Prize, \$4; 2nd, \$2.

Lance Corporal Carvin, 81st. 2in.

" " Carroll, 80th. 24in.

2.—HAY MILE FLAT RACE.—1st Prize, \$8; 2nd, \$4.

1. Pte. Mcintosh.

2. Pte. Connell.

—Time, 2min. 23secs.

3.—LONG JUMP.—1st Prize, \$4; 2nd, \$2.

Pte. Connell, 74th, 17ft. 4in.

Lance Corporal Carroll, 81st. 11ft. 10in.

4.—100 YARDS FLAT RACE.—1st Prize, \$8; 2nd, \$4.

1. Pte. Dunning, R.N.

2. " Kemp, 74th.

—Time, 11secs.

5.—THROWING CRICKET BALL.—1st Prize, \$4; 2nd, \$2.

Drummer Burgess, 74th, 100yd. 8in.

Pte. Connell, 74th, about 100 yards.

6.—100 YARDS FLAT RACE.—Open to Officers of the Army and Navy, Members of Hongkong and German Clubs, and Officers of Foreign Ships of War.—Prize, a Cup.

1. Lieut. Kelham, 74th.

2. D. B. Grant.

3. W. Dunman.

—Time, 10secs.

7.—440 YARDS FLAT RACE.—1st Prize, \$9; 2nd, \$4.

Pte. Connell, 74th.

1. Lieut. Kelham, 74th.

—Time, 1min. 24secs.

8.—100 YARDS JOCKEY RACE.—1st Prize, \$4; 2nd, \$2.

Connell—Dawson.

Kemp—Pinner.

Sharp—Walker.

—No time taken.

9.—440 YARDS FLAT RACE.—Open to Officers of the Army and Navy.—Prize, an antique "Imari" bowl and stand, presented by H. E. the Governor.

1. Lieut. Kelham.

2. Thomas, R.N.

—Time not taken.

10.—VETERAN'S RACE 100 YARDS (over 15 years' service).—1st Prize, \$8; 2nd, \$4.

1. Corp. Paddon, 74th, 16yrs. 3mon.

2. Pte. Smyth, 74th, 16yrs. 3mon.

—Time, 11secs.

11.—BOYS' RACE 220 YARDS (under 18 years of age).—1st Prize, \$7; 2nd, \$3; 3rd, \$2.

1. W. Hill.

2. Cole.

3. Shepherd.

—Time not taken.

12.—TUG OF WAR (10 men in each team).—Open to Army and Navy; Hongkong Volunteers; Foreign men of War; Police and Civilians.—One "pull over" to decide. No spikes or hob nails to be worn.—Prize, \$80.

Police:—Sergeant Grant; P.Cs. Meyers, McMillan, Beckett, Smith, Rea, Charters, McKay, Currie and Sampson.

Artillery:—Corporals Francis, Schultz, Privates Bolter, Godwin, Toppin, Carroll, Baker, Sule, C. Smith and Pollock.

Marines:—Wells, Davey, Lees, Hayman, Pyne, Carter, Dove, Aylings, Rees and Pullin.

74th Highlanders:—Sergeant Dempster; Corporals Crawford, Game, Radis, Saylor, Pies, Brand, Fox, Aitken, Ford and Barr.

Police v. Artillery, and Police win.

74th v. Marines, and Marines win.

74th v. Police, and Police win.

Police Intelligence.

(Before C. P. Creagh, Esq.)

10th February, 1879.

DRUNKENNESS.

William B. White, seaman, British barque *Corca*, drunk and incapable. Fined 50 cents or 2 days' imprisonment.

Duncan Kennedy, carpenter, British ship *Commissary*, was charged with being drunk and causing a disturbance in the shop of a comrade, at No. 33, Praya Central, and further with assaulting the police in the execution of their duty. Fined \$5 or 7 days' imprisonment.

LARCENY.

Wong Atak, a night soil coolie, was charged with stealing a knife, valued at 10 cents, the property of the Military General Hospital. It would appear that the defendant had only been employed about a fortnight, and he had before been suspected of stealing from the Hospital Guard. Private James Mallon, 74th Highlanders, watched him on the present occasion, and after he had gone a short distance, ran after him and found the knife on his person.

Defendant said he picked the knife up near the out-house. He was sent to three months' hard labour.

CLEVERLY CAUGHT.

Chu Afat, a coolie, was charged with stealing a piece of water-piping, the property of the Government, valued at \$2. It would appear that one Yan Sang, a turn-out, who was responsible for the piping, concealed himself near the spot where a quantity was lying (No. 2 Tank, T'ai-ping-shan) as a lot had been stolen, and he saw the defendant come and pick up the piece of pipe and conceal it under his jacket. Defendant admitted the charge, and also admitted a previous conviction for larceny. He was sent to three months' hard labour and ordered to be exposed in the stocks for three hours.

STRAGGLERS.

George Moseley and Frederick Cook, seamen, were charged with being stragglers from H.M.S. *Iron Duke*. They admitted the charge and were ordered to be sent on board their ship.

SUPREME COURT.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

(Before the Chief Justice Sir JOHN SMITH.)

10th February, 1879.

IN THE MATTER OF THOMAS PIM.

This was a petition made by Mr Tobias Pim, one of the partners in the firm of Olyphant & Co. of Hongkong, Canton, Shanghai, Foochow, and New York, to be adjudged a bankrupt.

Mr Brereton appeared for the petitioner. A schedule of the assets and liabilities was put in.

Mr Pim, the petitioner, was called, and swore to the contents of the schedule being correct to the best of his knowledge; he said that the schedule filed by him contained, so far as he knew, a true account of his assets and liabilities, except those at New York, and the statement as to assets and liabilities at Shanghai, Foochow, and Canton, were given to the best of his knowledge and belief.

His Lordship said, referring to a case that it was absolutely necessary to file a complete statement of accounts before the petition could be granted; this rule was imperative. It was hard upon Mr Pim, however, he had no doubt, had come forward wishing to deal in a bona fide manner.

His Lordship went on to say that an adjudication in bankruptcy made in England had authority, and was generally accepted everywhere.

Mr Brereton said he did not think any one would question the matter if the petitioner was adjudicated a bankrupt here.

His Lordship said that was no doubt the case. It was accepted in a general way all right. Turning to Mr Pim, he remarked that he was very sorry for him, but he (the judge) had a very solemn duty to perform and he must act according to the law. Mr Pim said he was anxious to make all his property over to some one on behalf of the creditors.

His Lordship said he desired that could be arranged. He might assign his property to some person for the benefit of the creditors.

His Lordship finally concluded to allow the petition to stand over till Friday next, in order to allow Mr Brereton to look more closely into the matter, and if he saw his way to proceed, the petition could then be heard.

IN PROBATE.

IN THE ESTATE OF THE REV. C. F. PRESTON, DECEASED.

Mr Brereton applied for letters of administration in the above estate on behalf of Mr R. T. Talbot, a merchant at Canton, who was acting under a power of attorney for the heirs of deceased. The application was granted.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, Feb. 10, 1879.

SIR.—Adverting to a paragraph in your paper of the 8th instant, viz., that "cars should at least be taken that all new buildings are constructed in a sound and less dangerous style than some of the rickety old tumble-down edifices destroyed on old Christmas night," may I state that the condition of things may be easily remedied.

A Mr Brown, who has lately arrived here from the Straits Settlements, and who is a civil engineer by profession, I believe, has brought forward two new plans for flooring and roofing houses, one plan being designed solely of brick, while the other is of iron and tiles, both specialties in their way, and aim at being a new process which is almost indestructible. This should be adopted in Chinese tenements and godowns, as anything that tends to protect or aims at protecting life and property from fire, and obviating the possible risk of incendiarism, should be commended, as it must prove so alike beneficial to landlord as to tenant, as well as enhancing the property taxes.

ARTIZAN.

Shanghai.

(News.)

A correspondent writing from Taku on the 13th January, says, "Peking free of ice, and weather exceedingly mild."—This, we believe, is unusually early.

A rather serious accident befell the steamer *Tsunin* on her last passage to Ningpo. She left Shanghai at the usual hour on Tuesday afternoon, and after mid-night experienced thick foggy weather with rain, and reduced her speed in consequence. When nearing Square Island a junk was seen on the starboard hand coming towards her, and so close that a collision was inevitable. The junk, which it is said had no light, attempted to cross the bow of the steamer, but failed, and collided with her, causing a rent on the starboard bow about fifteen feet from the stem, while the junk had her steering gear so damaged that it could not be worked. The collision occurred about half-past four o'clock in the morning, and both vessels anchored until daylight; and in the meantime they communicated with each other as to the damage that had been done. The *Tsunin* proceeded on her passage to Ningpo, and returned to Shanghai in the evening. She is now anchored at the Company's buoy off the French Bund, where her repairs are being effected, and it is thought she will be ready to take her place again on the line on Tuesday. In verification of the old adage that misfortunes never come singly, it may be added that the *Kiangtzen*, the other steamer on the Ningpo line, in steaming up the harbour yesterday morning, collided with the pontoon at the Kiangtzen Road jetty, and displaced the planking connecting the pontoon with the supports on shore. Happily the steamer sustained little or no damage, and left for Ningpo as usual in the afternoon.

Yesterday morning (Feb. 3rd), from an early hour till about 8.30, the densest fogs were enveloped in one of the densest fogs ever remembered here. The mist was so "unimpenetrable" at about 7.30, that it was only with difficulty passengers could find their way through the streets—seeing was impossible at more than a yard in advance. It was a veritable "Londoner" without the smoke and smuts. Shortly after eight, the mist began to dissipate, by nine the atmosphere was pretty clear, and ultimately the day proved one of the finest enjoyed during the present winter, the sun shining from a cloudless sky.

The divorce case, Bridget Williams v. John Curtis Williams, was down for hearing yesterday (Feb. 3rd) at the United States Consulate-General. It is a wife's petition for dissolution of marriage on the ground of adultery; and defendant, in his answer, says he has no objection to a divorce being granted, but pleads that he should not be mulcted in the costs. The proceedings yesterday were on a motion by Mr J. J. Henderson, who represented the plaintiff, to expunge certain allegations from the defendant's answer to the petition. The Court expunged some of the statements as immaterial to the issue, but retained others, and decided that the evidence should be taken in Chambers before Mr Weiller, as referee, on the ground that the case was not "a proper one to obtain publicity."

The boy at Sunday school, when asked who made the beautiful surrounding hills, replied that he did not know, as his parents had only moved into the town the day before.

THE WOOL PRODUCTION OF THE WORLD.—According to the *San Francisco Journal of Commerce* the number of sheep in the world is estimated at from 484,000,000 to 600,000,000 and the total clip at 1,497,500,000 lb. gross, = 852,000,000 lb. of clean wool, worth over £20,000,000.

When Professor Watson, or some other Professor, discovers a new star, it is telegraphed all over the country. But when an unscientific gent steps on the slippery side of a pool of frozen water, careens the pavement with new meters travelling at the rate of two billion miles a second, and a whole firmament of new stars shooting hither and thither, he keeps the wonderful discovery a secret. He doesn't hanker for newspaper notoriety.

An Editor's Mail.—The morning mail of the editor of a leading daily is not complete unless it contains, in addition to its substantial business, letters from the following well-known correspondents:—1. The man who wants to empty his old scrap-book into you. 2. The woman with a "pick" of poetry. 3. The respectable deadbeat lecturer who will furnish his old notes interlarded with vigorous puffs of himself and want to be paid for it. 4. A man with a currency scheme six columns long. 5. The man with a national finance system. 6. The man with an old sermon. 7. The person who importunately asks the insertion of a communication as a favor, and then writes a worrying letter daily enquiring to know why it is not in. 8. The man, woman, or child that would like a "roving commission" for the Press, under the impression that honest folk or railway fare have to pay no hotel bills or watering-place. 9. The lady who wants to be watering-place correspondent with similar views. 10. Ten or twelve men who want to slip in advertisements of religious meetings, land associations, concourses, etc., under false pretences. 11. The regular batch of applications for employment: (a) as a matter of charity; (b) because the applicant has always been unsuccessful at everything else; (c) from influential friends who want you to pension some poor relation afloat; (d) from the man who thinks he would be an excellent journalist because he has never had any training in the profession; (e) from the school-girl who would like to be Washington correspondent. 12. The innumerable host who want "a little notice."—*Philadelphia Press*.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, February 10, 1879.

OPIMUM.—New Fataa, cash, \$4505

" " Old Fataa, cash, " "

" " New Benares, cash, 535

" " Old Benares, cash, " "

" " New Malwa, cash, 800

" " Allowance Tael, 8

" " Old Malwa, cash, 805

" " Allowance Tael, 8

Exchange.

Bank, Telegraphic, ... 3/8

" 30 days sight, ... 3/7 1/2

" 6 months sight, ... 3/7 1/2

Credits, ... 3/8

Documentary, 6 months sight, 3/8

India, Telegraphic, ... 21 1/2

" demand, ... 22 1/2

Shanghai, demand, ... 7 1/2

" 60 days sight, ... 7 1/2

Bar Silver, 17 dwts. B., ... 10 1/2

Sycee, ... 10 1/2

Mexican, ... 2 1/2

Gold Leaf, 9 1/2 fine, ... 28

Sovereigns, ... 5.64

Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 51 % prem.

Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,600

China Traders Ins. Co., \$1,500

Yangtze Ins. Assoc., Tls. 715 ex. div.

Chinese Insurance Co., \$800

North China Ins. Co., Tls. 1,300

H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$620

China Fire Ins. Co., \$475

H.K. & W. Dock Co., par

H.K. & M. S. Boat Co., 8 dis. ex. div.

Shanghai Steam Navigation, Tls. 17

China Coast St. Nav. Co., Tls. 100

Hongkong Gas Co., \$55

Hongkong Hotel Co., \$65

China Sugar Refining Co., \$138

Chinese Imperial Loan, 2100

Do. of 1877, 2108.10.

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co's Premises, Queen's Road.)

HONGKONG, February 10, 1879.

BAROMETER.—9 A.M. ... 30.420

Do. 1 P.M. ... 30.338

Do. 4 P.M. ... 30.334

THERMOMETER.—

